

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after line 8, please insert as follows:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 7, after line 6, please insert as follows:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 4, as follows:

According to an embodiment, the alloy of the invention can also comprise iron 0.01 to 1% by weight and/or from 0.01 to 1% by weight of manganese. The alloy of the invention can also comprise iron 0-1% by weight, manganese 0-1% by weight and other elements in a quantity ranging from 0 to 0.5% by weight.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 12, as follows:

It has been verified that the alloy compositions of the invention advantageously supplied in powder form, allow the production of a layer of coating on vapour turbine components which is highly resistant to mechanical stress caused by impact with liquid particles. The layer of coating applied typically has a thickness ranging from 0.1 to 5mm.

Page 11, after line 11, please insert as follows:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

Page 11, after line 18, please insert as follows:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Page 13, after line 9, please insert as follows:

EXAMPLES